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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: REVIEW OF POST ACTIONS

REF: (A) STATE 115833, (B) STATE 087612,

1. FOLLOWING IS STATUS EMBASSY DISCUSSIONS WITH GOT ON MULTI-LATERAL ISSUES.

2. KOREA - TOGO COMMITTED TO UNFRIENDLY POSITION AND RAISING QUESTION IS NOT PRODUCTIVE.

3. PUERTO RICO - AT VARIOUS TIMES EMBASSY HAS STRESSED TO DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CABINET, MFA; SECRETARY GENERAL, MFA; AND CHIEF OF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE DIVISION THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS ITEM TO U.S. MOST THOROUGH DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE IN APRIL WHLTR. HE SAID ISSUE HAD NEVER BEEN DISCUSSED IN MFA. HE TOOK POSITION THAT IT DIFFICULT FOR TOGO TO BE AGAINST RESOLUTION SUPPORTING "SELF DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE", BUT ADMITTED EACH CASE DESERVED EXAMINATION ON MERITS AND LISTENED TO RUNDOWN OF PUERTO RICAN CONSITUTIONAL STATUS. CONFERENCE CHIEF ASKED FOR AND WE PREPARED AIDE-MEMOIRE TO ASSIST IN FORMULATING TOGOLESE POSITION IF SUBJECT COMES UP FOR DECISION. SOME CHANCE TOGO WILL ABSTAIN IF ISSUE BROUGHT TO VOTE, BUT IT PROBABLY WILL HIDE IN "CONSENSUS" IF UNFAVORABLE RESOLUTION PROPOSED AT NAM CONFERENCE. WE ARE IN ON THIS ISSUE EARLY AND MAY HAVE SOME EFFECT

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IF WE KEEP STRESSING OUR CONCERN.

4. MIDDLE EAST - EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED THIS SEVERAL TIMES WITH
SECGEN OF MFA AND CHIEF OF CONFERENCES DIVISION, THE MFA ACTION
OFFICER. IN MOST RECENT DISCUSSION PRIOR TO DAKAR CONFERENCE OF
AFRICAN AND ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS IN APRIL, MFA OFFICIAL ADMITTED
TOGOLESE POSITION HAD "EVOLVED" ON ZIONISM-RACISM LINK. (TOGO
VOTED WITH US ON PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION IN UNGA AND ABSTAINED
ON SUBSTANTIVE RES.) IN JOINT COMMUNIQUE AT END OF PRESIDENTIAL
VISIT TO LIBYA IN FEBRUARY, TOGO ENDORSED LINK. THIS ARGUMENTATION,
BUT EYADEMA'S DESIRE FOR BETTER RELATIONS WITH
ALGERIA AND LIBYA AND INDIGNATION AT ISRAEL'S CONTINUED OCCU-
PATION OF LANDS SEIZED IN 1967 SEEM TO BE MAIN DETERMINANTS
ON THIS ISSUE.
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